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- 1. WE TOOK UP REFTEL WITH AMBASSADOR-AT-LARGE DE HOOP SCH-EFFER IN ABSENCE OF RUTTEN. HE TOOK CAREFUL NOTES AND SAID HE WOULD PASS OUR COMMENTS TO FOREIGN MINISTER. HE CONFIRMED THAT FOR TIME BEING URENCO MATTER IS AT STANDSTILL. APPAR-ENTLY FRG AND UK HAVE NOT YET RESPONDED TO VAN DER STOEL LETTERS (THE HAGUE 2671).
- 2. DE HOOP SCHEFFER PROMISED TO PROVIDE EARLY ANSWER
 TO QUESTION CONCERNING PRECISE CHARACTER OF DUTCH SAFEGUARDS
 PROPOSAL. HE REPEATED WHAT WE HAVE HEARD BEFORE THAT TWO
 IDEAS BEING EXPLORED WERE SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT BETWEEN BRAZIL
 AND URENCO PARTNERS AND WORLDWIDE ARRANGEMENT INTO WHICH
 BRAZILIAN OPERATION COULD BE FOLDED. OUR IMPRESSION IS THAT
 DETAILS OF SAFEGUARDS UNDER EITHER REMAIN TO BE DEVELOPED.
- 3. DEPARTMENT'S UNDERSTANDING OF URENCO TRIPARTITE CONTROLS SECRET

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DESCRIBED PARA 3 REFTEL IS CORRECT AND IS EXPLICITLY COVERED IN ARTICLE II (5) OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN UK, NETHERLANDS AND FRG. DUTCH CONCERNS RE FRG ENRICHMENT PLANT REST ON OLD AND STILL HIGHLY EMOTIONAL SUSPICIONS THAT DESPITE ALL COMMITMENTS TO CONTRARY FRG MIGHT CHOOSE TO G IT ALONE IN SOME FUTURE CONTINGENCY AND DEVELOP NUCLEAR WEAPONS.

4. WE EMPHASSIZED AGAIN OUR CONFIDENCE THAT DUTCH WOULD NOT TAKE ANY STEPS ON URENCO FUEL SUPPLIES THAT WOULD PREJUDGE INFCE OUTCOME.

5. WE EXPECT WE WILL HEAR AGAIN FROM MFA AS RESULT THIS CONVERSATION FAIRLY SOON, BUT BECAUSE OF FOREIGN MINISTER'S PREOCCUPATION WITH SOUTH MOLUCCAN TERRORISTS THERE MAY BE SOME DELAY.
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